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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor having a capacitor element

fabricated by winding an anode electrode foil provided with anode leading means and a

cathode electrode foil provided with cathode leading means via a separator and

impregnating it with an electrolyte solution, an outer case for housing the capacitor

element, and a sealing member for sealing an open part of the outer case, characterized in

that a wherein the electrolyte solution containing comprises an aluminum tetrafluoride

salt is used as said electrolyte solution, and that a ceramics coating layer is formed at a

contact portion with the sealing member and the cathode leading means.

2. (original) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the cathode

leading means includes an aluminum conductor comprised of a rod member and a flat

member, wherein the ceramics coating layer is formed on the rod member prior to

capacitor production process.

3. (previously presented) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the

ceramics coating layer is formed by using a coating agent comprised of one or more

metal alcoxide ceramics wherein the metal alcoxide is selected from the group consisting

of Al₂O₃, SiO₂, and ZrO₂ and combinations thereof.

4-6. Cancelled

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7. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor obtained by impregnating a

capacitor element with an electrolyte solution containing an aluminum tetrafluoride salt,

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wherein the capacitor element is formed by wounding winding an anode electrode foil

with a-an anode leading terminal and a cathode electrode foil with a cathode leading

terminal together with an intervening separator, housing the capacitor element in an

cylindrical outer case with a bottom, and a-sealing an open end of the case by a sealing

member with a rivet connecting said cathode leading terminal to said outside terminal.

eharacterized in that wherein a ceramics coating layer is formed at a contact portion of

the rivet with the sealing component.

8. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor obtained by impregnating a

capacitor element with an electrolyte solution containing an aluminum tetrafluoride salt,

wherein the capacitor element is formed by $\frac{\text{wounding}}{\text{winding}}$ an anode electrode foil

with and a cathode electrode foil with a cathode leading

terminal together with an intervening separator, housing the capacitor element in an

cylindrical outer case with a bottom, and a sealing an open end of the case by a sealing

member with a rivet connecting said cathode leading terminal to said outside terminal

characterized in that wherein a ceramics coating layer is formed on said cathode leading

terminal.

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11. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein an electrode foil at least one of the cathode or anode foils is subjected to a phosphate treatment is used as the cathode electrode foil or the anode electrode foil.

- (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 2, wherein an
 electrode foil at least one of the cathode or anode foils is subjected to a phosphate
 treatment is used as the cathode electrode foil or the anode electrode foil.
- 13. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 3, wherein an electrode foil at least one of the cathode or anode foils is subjected to a phosphate treatment is used as the eathode electrode foil or the anode electrode foil.
- 14. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 7, wherein an electrode foil at least one of the cathode or anode foils is subjected to a phosphate treatment is used as the eathode electrode foil or the anode electrode foil.
- 15. (currently amended) An electrolytic capacitor according to claim 8, wherein an electrode foil at least one of the cathode or anode foils is subjected to a phosphate treatment is used as the cathode electrode foil or the anode electrode foil.